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JAEGER REMINDS VOTERS OF ABSENTEE AND EARLY VOTING

Bismarck, ND – Secretary of State Al Jaeger reminds North Dakotans that ballots for voting absentee or voting early in the November 5th General Election are now available from the state's county auditors.

According to Jaeger, voters who wish to vote by absentee ballot at the November 5 election may apply for an absentee ballot or vote early at their county auditor's office up until the day before the election. Voters are no longer required to provide a reason for voting early or by absentee ballot, making the process of voting easier and more accessible.

"North Dakotans are busy and have to balance many demands between family, work, school, and personal life," says Jaeger. "Absentee and early voting offer North Dakotans easy and convenient methods to participate in the election process. Not to mention, absentee voting is an essential service for elderly and disabled voters who find it difficult to make it to the polls on Election Day and enjoy voting from the comfort of their home."

Absentee ballot applications are available from the state's county auditors or from the Secretary of State's web site at www.state.nd.us/sec. Voters may return completed applications to their county auditors in person, by mail, or by fax. Ballots are then mailed or provided to voters. Voters may return their ballots either by mail or in person to their county auditors' offices. Absentee ballots may be issued by and delivered to the county auditors until November 4, the day before the election. Absentee ballots returned by mail must be postmarked no later than November 4. Voters may also vote early in their county auditors' offices up until office closing time on November 4.

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